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LEEDCo Awarded Third Grant to Develop Lake Erie Wind Project

Erie, PA – The Department of Energy (DOE) officially awarded the Lake Erie Energy Development Corp. (LEEDCo) a \$3.7 million research and development grant. The grant funding was contingent upon meeting the requirements of a DOE engineering development schedule in March of this year.

"Receiving this funding is great news for the development of wind energy, and moves this project one step closer to fruition," noted Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper. "LEEDCo has been able to demonstrate a record of success that has not gone unnoticed by the DOE, and I am proud to be a part of the team that is working to bring both renewable energy and jobs to our region," said Dahlkemper.

LEEDCo received the \$3.7 million grant to continue funding engineering work. This is the third research and development grant landed by LEEDCo, with the organization receiving \$3 million in 2014 and \$4 million in 2012.

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